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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 2, 1995, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 6, line 26, after "cap" insert --2--.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-3 and substitute therefor the following claim:

A device for emptying a film tube which contains a flowable substance and has a dispensing end provided with a ring, the device comprising a cylindrical housing with a displaceable piston and a cap and being adapted to receive the tube between said piston and said cap, said housing including an end portion having an inner wall and a ring supporting surface, the cap having a dispensing opening, an annular engaging portion surrounding the dispensing opening and cooperating with said ring for sealing the dispensing end of the tube, and a cylindrical end portion having an inner wall and being adapted to engage the end portion of the housing, the peripheral portion of the ring being